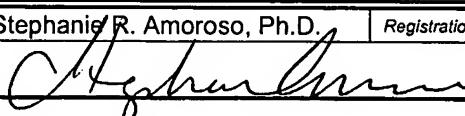


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		First Inventor Shuji Kitamura, et al.	
		Title METHOD FOR PRODUCING FERMENTED MILK CONTAINING ANGIOTENSIN CONVERTING ENZYME INHIBITORY PEPTIDE AND, etc.	
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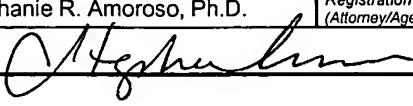
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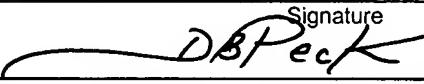
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Dear Sir:

This application is a true copy of parent Application Serial No. 09/889,313, filed July 11, 2001, with the following exceptions:

-The title now recites that the claimed process is for making "whey" and not "milk serum." The title was amended in the parent application in a preliminary amendment filed on July 11, 2001 with the application.

-The priority claim on the first page has been added.

-The claims filed with this application are those in the preliminary amendment filed with the parent application on July 11, 2001.

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